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LENT
– *40 Days Of Renewal* –

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026

St. Andrew's Mission Statement

*Rooted in Christ's love, St. Andrew's is a worshipping community seeking to
GROW our relationships with God, one another and the world.*

Grounded in Prayer,

Renewing Hope,

Open to the Spirit,

Welcoming & Accepting of All

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
EMPORIA, KANSAS
A EUCHARISTIC COMMUNITY OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS

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TO ACCOMMODATE THE
PROCESSIONAL HYMN

WELCOME

Good Morning and Welcome to St. Andrew's!



This booklet is a guide to this morning's worship. It contains the structure of the service, as well as the prayers and responses, readings, and hymns for today's liturgy. Announcements and prayer requests are also included. Today we will be using the liturgy for Holy Communion beginning on page 355 in your Book of Common Prayer. If you print this booklet at home for your edification, please recycle it to be good stewards of God's creation.

Let us Worship the Lord!

Prelude

“Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”

Raymond H. Haan

The Bell

Calls us to Worship

THE ENTRANCE RITES

Processional Hymn

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

H# 690

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

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Processional Hymn cont'd



bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to



more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

The Acclamation

Celebrant **+** Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercies endure forever.**

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Celebrant Let us pray...

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Trisagion (repeat x3)

S # 102

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray...

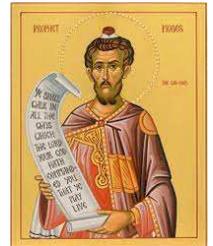
Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever .

People **Amen.**

The First Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

Lector A reading from the Book of Exodus, chapter 17, beginning with verse 1.



From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.”

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The First Reading cont'd

The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 95

BCP p. 724

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 95, beginning with verse 1, which begins on page 724 in your Book of Common Prayer or in this morning’s bulletin. I invite us to pray the Psalm responsively by half verse.

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Psalm 95 cont'd

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Harden not your hearts,

as your forebears did in the wilderness, *

at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,

when they tempted me.

They put me to the test, *

though they had seen my works.

Forty years long I detested that generation and said, *

"This people are wayward in their hearts;

they do not know my ways."

So I swore in my wrath, *

"They shall not enter into my rest."

The Second Reading

Romans 5:1-11

Lector

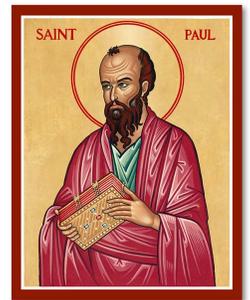
Our second reading this morning comes from Paul's letter to the Romans, chapter 5, beginning with verse 1.

Lector

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good

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The Second Reading cont'd

person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

John 4:5-42

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep.



The Gospel cont'd

Celebrant

Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?"

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The Gospel cont'd

Celebrant Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily

Rt. Rev. Daniel Genovesi

Celebrant Let us say together the Nicene Creed found on pg. 358 of your Book of Common Prayer.

**All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. + We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, The Council of Trustees of the Diocese, and for our Priest Daniel. For all bishops and other ministers; and for the Tallgrass Minster and the Northwest Convocation. In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for St. Martin in the Fields, Edwardsville. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Church of Ireland.

Silence

Intercessor: Lord in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Intercessor: Lord in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Intercessor: Lord in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Intercessor: Lord in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Intercessor: Lord in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Intercessor: Lord in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Confession

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
In silence, let us confess all known sin to God.

Celebrant and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
Things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness
and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life.

People Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

In Our Prayers This Week

In the Anglican Communion: We pray for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer: We pray for St. Andrew's, Emporia.

For Health & General Concerns: Kay J., Linda D., Mary R., Jay B., Craig L, Brandi, Suzanne P., Matthew L., Millard H., Grace H., Steve H., Oison H., Jean R., John H., Judith, Karina M., Virginia P., Ada, Kay D., Dee P.

For Those Who Grieve: Pray for the family and friends of Emily Ayers.

For Our Shut-ins: Marged A. and Karen H.

Our Neighbors in the World: Jim Grant, and his Mission in Haiti.

For Our Church: The Council of Trustees of the Diocese, the Tallgrass Minster and the Northwest Convocation

THIS WEEK'S MARCH MILESTONES

Birthdays

No birthdays this week.

Anniversaries

No anniversaries this week

The full list of Birthdays and Anniversaries for the month March are in your CrossXroads newsletter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Children’s Chapel meets upstairs this morning.
- 🍀 St. Patrick’s Day Coffee Hour Celebration! 🍀 Join us on Sunday, March 15th for Coffee Hour as we celebrate St. Patrick’s Day! If you plan on attending, please bring a festive goodie — think green treats, Irish favorites, or anything lucky! We look forward to celebrating together! ❤️
- Morning Prayer meets Tuesdays at 8:30 am in St. Mary’s Chapel.
- 🌸 Spring Supper Kickoff! 🌸 Join us on March 24th at 6:00 PM for our very first Spring Supper! We’ll be meeting at Champs Bar & Grill to enjoy their \$2 Dollar Tuesdays special — featuring appetizers and beer for just \$2! Come hungry and ready for a great evening of food and fellowship. Please let Susan Mai know if you can make it. We can’t wait to see you there!
- Latino Ministry: Baptism and First Communion Preparation. Registration is open until Sunday, March 15 for children, youth, and young people who wish to prepare to receive Baptism and/or First Communion. Preparation sessions will take place on Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. during Sunday School and Youth Ministry. The celebration of Baptisms and First Communions will be held on Sunday, May 24 at 11:30 a.m.
- Lent is traditionally a time for almsgiving. Boxes for collecting your loose change are available on the table by the parish hall. This year the collection will go to support the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem and their work.
- It’s not too late to join in playing Lent Madness. Brackets are on the bulletin board near the office or just go to lentmadness.org to read about two “saints” who impacted Christianity and vote daily for your favorite. Yes, Richard Hooker (of the three-legged stool metaphor) beat out Thomas Cranmer, father of the Book of Common Prayer while Peter bested Paul in the first round. It’s an easy way to learn a bit and have a lenten devotional.

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ has loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Hymn at the Offertory

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

H #685

1 Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
2 Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan - guor know,
3 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,

let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed,
all for sin could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone;
when I rise to worlds un - known and be - hold thee on thy throne,

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
in my hand no price I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

Sursum Corda (“Lifting of the hearts”)

BCP 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Preface for Lent 1

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who dies for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

*The Sanctus

S #129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given + thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given + thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

ALL Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

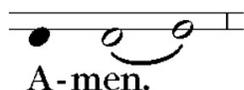
✝ Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with St. Andrew, and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, with him and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

The Great Amen

ALL



A-men.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray...

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Silence is kept

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore, let us keep the feast!**

Fraction Anthem

Jesus, Lamb of God

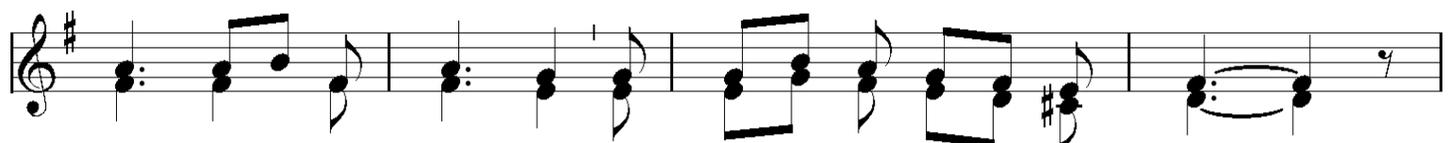
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Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is discord, union;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light,

where there is sadness; joy.

Grant that we may not seek so much to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Sending forth of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are one Body because we all share one Bread, one Cup.**

The Blessing

Concluding Hymn

“Shepherd of Souls”

H# 343

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
word of grace, in strength of which we
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People **Thanks be to God!**

No postlude - depart in silence.